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- 1. The National Security Council, taking cognizance of the vicious covert activities of the USSR, its satellite countries and Communist groups to discredit and defeat the sims and activities of the United States and other Western powers, has determined that, in theinterests of vorld peace and US national security, the overt foreign activities of the US Government must be supplemented by covert operations.
- 2. The Central Intelligence Agency is charged by the National Security Council with donducting espionage and counter-espionage operations abroad. It therefore seems desirable, for operational reasons, not to create a new agency for covert operations, but in time of peace to place the responsibility for them within the structure of the Central Intelligence Agency and correlate them with espionage and counter-espionage operations under the overall control of the Director of Central Intelligence.
- 3. Therefore, under the authority of Section 102(d) (5) of the National Security Act of 1947, the National Security Council hereby directs that in time of peace:
- g. Covert-operations-and-plenning-and-proparation-for the conduct-of such operations-in-time-of-war-or-national emergency shall be conducted by a new Office of Special-Projects to be created within the Control Intelligence agency.
- a. A new Office of Special Projects shall be created within the Central Intelligence Agency, and under the policy guidance of an Operations Advisory Committee to be established, shall plan and conduct covert operations I; and in coordination with the Joint Chiefs of Staff shall plan and prepare for the conduct of such operations in wartime.

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- b. A highly qualified person nominated by Secretary of State and acceptable to the Director of Central Intelligence and approved by the National Security Council, shall be appointed as Chief of the Office of Special projects.
- c. Thehead of the Office of Special Projects shall report directly to the Director of Central Intelligence for. For purposes of security and of floxibility of operations, under conditions of peace and war, and to the maximum degree consistent with efficiency, the Office of Special Projects shall operate independently of other components of Central Intelligence Agency
- posed of one representative of the Secretary of State and one representative of the Secretary of Defense. These representatives shall be provided assistants and staffs as necessary by their respective Secretaries. The functions of this Committee shall be:
 - (1) To furnish authoriatative policy guidance on covert operations to the Director of Central Intelligence.
 - (2) To assist in the preparation of all plans for such operations. In disagreements arising between the Director of Central Intelligence and a member of the Operations Advisory Cormittee over such plans, the matter shall be referred to the National Security Council for decision, except that disagreement on plans for wartime operations shall be resolved by the Joint Chiefs of Staff when military plans or operations are affected thereby.
 - . The Director of Central Intelligence shall be responsible for:
 - (1) Ensuring through the Operations Advisory Committee that covert operations are pla ned and conducted in a manner consistent with US foreign and military policies and with overt activities, and that plans for wartine covert operations are also drawn up with the assistance of

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a representative of acceptable to the Joint Chiefs of Staff and are accepted by latter as being consistent with and complementary to approved plans for wartime military operations.

- (2) Informing, through appropriate channels, agencies of the US Government, both at home and abroad, (including diplomatice and military representatives in each area), are kept-inferred of such operations which as will directly affect them.
- f. Supplemental funds for the conduct of the proposed operations for fiscal year 1949 shall be immediately requested. Thereafter operational funds for these purposes shall be included in normal Central Intelligence Agency Budget requests.
- In time of wer or when the President directs, covert enerations shall be conducted under the direction of the Joint Chiofe of Staff under appropriate organisational errangements to be recommended by the Joint Chiofe of Staff and approved by the Matienal Security Council.
- directs, shall be conducted under appropriate arrangements to be recommended by the Office of Special Projects in collaboration with the Joint Chiefs of and approved by the National Security Council.
- 5. As used in this directive, "covert operations" are understood to be all activities (except as noted herein) which are conducted or sponsored by this Government against hostile foreign states or groups or in support of friendly foreign states or groups but which are so planned and executed that any US Government responsibility for them is not evident to anauthorized persons and that if uncovered the US Government can plausibly disclaim any responsibility for them. Specifically, such operations shall include any covert activities related to propagands; preventive direct action, including sabotage, anti-



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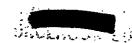
sabotage, demolition and evacuation measures; subversion against hostile states, including assistance to underground resistance movements, guerrillas and refugee liberations groups, and support of indigenous anti-communist elements in threatened countries of the free world. Such operations shall not include armed conflict by recognized military forces, espi mage, counter-espionage, and cover and deception for military operations.

6. This Directive supersedes the directive contained in ISC L-A, which is hereby concelled.

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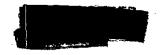
The HSCIDs which pertain to the preduction of national intelligensel be interpreted in accordance with the following principles:

"Mational intelligence" is a special type of intelligence normally characterized by being interdepertmental in substance. i.e., it constitutes a blead of departmental intelligence views on a given subject, each such view being an intelligence presentation of the fasters bearing on the subject which fall within the designated field of deminant interest of the particular department. This is not to say that there may not be rare occusions whom departmental intelligence as defined takes on the characteristics of "national intelligence" The criteria for each occasions are not that the subject is important or that it is of interest to more than one department or that a report is requested of GIA; the criterion for such an exception is that the intelligence is to be used as the basis of breed metional, as distinct from deportmental, policy or decision. Frier to such use, deportmental intelligence estimates should be subjected to scrutiny in the light of all available related intelligence in an analytical, objective atmosphere free from possible operational interests or pressures, and should thus be authenticated as a special form of inctional intelligence

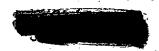
b. The "production" of national intelligence is an interdeportmental undertaking, under the leadership of GIA, characterized by a can explice process of proparation which normally involves a synthesizing of specially prepared contributions from two or more desertmental intelligence agencies. Such production is rarely unilateral, for its object is

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the manufor that the national intelligence product has, during all phases of its construction, the benefit of the information and interpretation of the specialized departmental agencies.

2. Such a process of preparation does not diminish the responsibility of GIA for production of national intelligence, since, in case of substantive disagreement, the text favored by GIA is also the main text of the estimate.